

**Gulf Islands National Seashore**  
**Summer 2012-Junior Ranger Camp**  
**Wednesdays 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon – Ages 9 – 11**

**Stories from a Blue Planet**

**June 20**

Let's get prepared to protect our water planet! Topics include: water quality monitoring, watersheds, endangered species, a barrier island hike and pulling a seinnet. Be prepared to get wet! Items to bring: Towel, water shoes, small backpack, sunblock. *Meet at Fort Pickens Auditorium.*

**Calling All Tree Huggers**

**June 27**

While hiking a trail through the forest, we will learn to identify trees, track the mysterious gopher tortoise, and learn from the animals. Other topics will include: hiking ethics and skills, what makes a healthy forest and learn what it takes to be a firefighter. Program will test outdoor skills and strength. Wear light colored clothing, good walking shoes, hat and small backpack, water, snack, hat and sunblock. *Meet at the Naval Live Oaks Group area, Northside of Hwy 98. Group area is across the street from Naval Live Oaks Visitor Center. Turn at the "Compound sign" and follow road until it dead ends to the group area pavilion.*

**Life as a Civil War Soldier**

**July 11**

We will seek out secrets of Advanced Redoubt and life as a civil war soldier during 1861. Hike starts at Fort Barrancas Visitor center to Advanced Redoubt. Topics: Orienteering, Team Support and Civil War History in Pensacola. Dress cool for the weather and bring good walking shoes, hat, water, small backpack and snack. *Meet at Fort Barrancas Visitor Center (onboard the Pensacola Naval Air Station).*

**Biking through History**

**July 18**

While riding a bike through the historic train route on Santa Rosa Island, we will learn how the Army trained soldiers using the island during the Spanish American War, WWI and WWII.

**Bike required and helmet.** Dress light colored clothing with, water, small back pack and snack. *Meet at Fort Pickens Auditorium.*

**Lightening your Footprint**

**July 25**

We're going green learning that nothing is too small to make a difference. Topics: Composting, gardening, recycling, solar energy, reducing pollution and conserving our natural resources. Bring snack and water. *Meet at Fort Pickens Auditorium.*

**Junior Ranger Evening Event**

**August 1 \* 7:00 p.m.**

For all the hard work you've done this summer and celebrating 11 years of Junior Ranger Camps at Gulf Islands. Junior rangers will participate in a traditional campfire program inside old Fort Pickens. Join us for a campfire, storytelling and singing event. What more can you ask for? Recommend wearing covered toed shoes, bug repellent and you're best singing voice. 1 Hour.

*Meet at Fort Pickens paradeground.*

*The Junior Ranger camps are free; however there is an \$8.00 entrance fee at the Fort Pickens area.*

*During each and all the camps, Park Ranger Amanda is encouraging food and supply donations to the Animal Wildlife Sanctuary. The animals thank you.*